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Office of PLANNING BOARD

MINUTES - August 12, 1974

MEMBERS PRESENT: Santomenna, Bridges, Hannaford, Kulmala, Pugmire & Sauer

Plans were signed for Fort Wall Realty Trust for property on North Road and Rutland Street for recording purposes. Also, an approval not required plan for clarification purposes was signed for James Wetzel for his property on Bellows Hill Road and Estabrook Road.

Word had been received from the Attorney General that he did not approve the third article of the Special Town Meeting - site plan approval for the Planning Board - because he felt it to be illegal. Discussion was held on this and Mr. Santomenna will discuss this decision with Mr. Melone.

On September 11, 1974, there will be a meeting of the Selectmen, Planning Board, Finance Committee, Long Range Capital Requirements Committee and the Master Plan Committee regarding usage of the Conant Land. It is hoped that as many Planning Board members as possible will attend.

Mr. Lipstadt's attorney received a letter from the Board of Appeals stating that they would entertain the application if Mr. Lipstadt would apply for a variance on his property on Judy Farm Road. There will be a date set for a Hearing after the application is received.

Discussion was held regarding the problem of driveway cuts into roads. It was felt that the location of driveways should be checked for safety — this could be considered when reviewing subdivision plans. Some towns do have laws controlling these cuts and the problem is considered when the building permit is issued. It could be part of the building code. It was felt that an article could be drafted by the Planning Board with assistance from the Building Inspector, the Selectmen, and the Chief of Police.

Mr. Hannaford will invite Jim Barron, Roger Davis and Mr. Peckham to the next meeting, September 9th, for such a discussion.

Mr. Ralph Sanford questioned the Board on adjacent pork chop lots to make sure that it applies to only more than two owned by the same individual.

No action has been taken by the Board on the Bromaghin property. Mr. Santomenna will also discuss this item with Mr. Melone.

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Mr. Peckham met with the Board to discuss the State Park on Lowell Road. He had a copy of a letter dated August 5 that he had written to Mr. Brownell, Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources which was reviewed. Mr. Peckham was particularly concerned about police and fire protection as Carlisle has not been told anything officially. Supposedly, the Carlisle Police Department has a right to make arrests, etc. Also, no official property description has been sent to the Town. Word has been received that the Federal Government has sent an approving document stating that funds are forthcoming for part of the acquisition. Apparently no planning has been done although the State has hired an "interpretative specialist" who will go over the land and determine how it should be used. Mr. Bruce Gullion, head of Forest and Parks for the State, will have the power, once the State really has title to the land, to restrict usage on an emergency basis for 90 days and he is of a mind to do this until plans can be drawn up. There are still plans to close off part of North Road and it is expected that this request will be received from the State shortly. Carlisle may be able to exert some influence over the Park once an environmental impact study has been done.

Once again Mr. Pugmire strongly recommended the creation of a committee to make recommendations to the State regarding the park. He encouraged Mr. Peckham to appoint a committee and the following representatives were suggested: Kent Pugmire (Planning Board), Hal Sauer (Planning Board and SILC), Charles Evans (MAPC), Ron Ondrejka, Stan Wright, Lou Eno, Norma Japp (in the interests of conservation), Paul Courant (Recreation), and George Clark. It was recommended that after the first meeting, representatives from Chelmsford and Billerica be included on the committee. The Board of Selectmen should be the organizing group and the committee should report to them at first. Hal Sauer suggested that at the outset they should have a charter which could be shown to the State and hopefully receive the approval of the State. Perhaps as a result, this group would be recognized as the advisory group for the Park. Senator Ron MacKenzie's name was suggested as one from whom help might be received in getting the committee recognized.

Mr. Pugmire will try to find out when the official ceremonies will be held for the State taking over the land - the Governor has indicated that he would come and it is hoped that a reception or such could be held at the Town Offices.

Mr. Peckham mentioned that there would be a Site Plan Hearing on August 21 regarding the former Sleeper Garage on Westford Street.

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The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia A. Macqueene / Secretary